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MEMORANDUM FOR: Executive Director

SUBJECT: Agency-wide All-source Operations Room

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- l. It is the opinion of the DD/R that the establishment of an Operations Room on a permanent and continuing basis would be undesirable. Such a facility would require not only the full-time employment of several specialized personnel to man the room, but would also take additional time of people in the operations offices.
- 2. While there is no question of the necessity of such a facility in time of crisis, it is suggested that the best solution would be the designation of a Crisis Room during periods of crisis. In this manner any one of the existing locations or facilities that most suited the need could be designated as a Crisis Operations Room and be staffed by personnel most appropriate to the need. In most cases it would probably be most appropriate for this room to be close to the OCI Watch and to be manned primarily by OCI personnel. When any given crisis period is terminated, all assets could be returned to their normal purposes.

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